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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

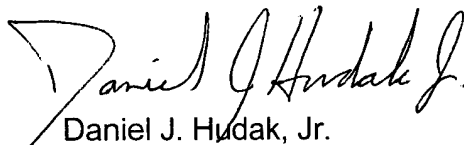
Sir,

In reply to the Restriction Requirement of August 8, 2003, Applicants respond as follows:

Applicants hereby elect Group I, Claims 1-18, drawn to a device, classified in class 356, subclass 369.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**


Sir,

The undersigned hereby certifies that the attached **RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT** was mailed to the Commissioner of Patents, Alexandria, VA, with sufficient first-class postage, no special handling, on September 3, 2003 before 5:00 PM, thereby ensuring that such document(s) will be in the hands of the U.S. Postal Service by the close of business this day. Thus, timely response has been made to the outstanding Office action prior to expiration of the shortened statutory period for the same ending **September 8, 2003**.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which might be required or credit any overpayment of fees with regard to the attached document(s) to Account No. **08-3150**.

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